

ORDINANCE NO. 7501

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 6.08 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE ENTITLED “ANIMAL CONTROL”

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Chapter 6.08, Animal Control, and specifically, that section 6.08.020, entitled, “Number per family” is hereby repealed and recreated to read as “Limit Number of Animals” as follows:

6.08.020 Limit Number of Animals. A. The owning, harboring and keeping by any person(s) of a large number of dogs, cats or a combination thereof within the city, detracts from the quality of life within the entire residential district due to various noise, odor, health and safety problems which constitute a public nuisance. Accordingly, the city council of the city of Eau Claire finds it necessary to establish a limit on the number of animals owned by any one person.

B. No person or household may own, harbor or keep in their possession, within the City, more than three (3) dogs, four (4) cats, or a combination thereof not to exceed a total number of five (5) animals, over the age of five (5) months, except for animal hospitals, pet shops, and licensed kennels.

Section 2. Any individual owning, harboring, or keeping in their possession within the city of Eau Claire more than three (3) dogs, four (4) cats, or any combination thereof exceeding five (5) as of the passing of this ordinance, may be permitted to continue to keep such animals within the city if the animals are currently licensed. Replacement animals exceeding three (3) dogs, four (4) cats, or a combination thereof exceeding five (5) animals shall not be permitted.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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